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*Reports from San Francisco, Cal.—Plague-prevention work at San Francisco, Oakland, and Point Richmond, and in Alameda and Contra Costa counties, Cal.*

Passed Assistant Surgeon Blue reports:

SAN FRANCISCO, CAL.

Date of last case of human plague: Sickened, January 30, 1908.

Date of last case of rodent plague: October 23, 1908.

*Week ended April 3, 1909.*

|  |         |
|--|---------|
| Sick inspected.....                              | 4       |
| Plague.....                                      | 0       |
| Dead inspected.....                              | 112     |
| Plague.....                                      | 0       |
| Premises inspected.....                          | 2, 197  |
| Houses disinfected.....                          | 16      |
| Nuisances abated.....                            | 247     |
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| Rats found dead.....                             | 48      |
| Rats trapped.....                                | 2, 443  |
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| Total rats taken.....                            | 2, 491  |
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| Rats identified:                                 |         |
| Mus norvegicus.....                              | 1, 739  |
| Mus rattus.....                                  | 59      |
| Mus musculus.....                                | 649     |
| Mus alexandrinus.....                            | 15      |
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| Total.....                                       | 2, 462  |
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| Rats identified as to sex:                       |         |
| Male.....  | 858     |
| Female.....                                      | 934     |
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| Total.....                                       | 1,787   |
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| Rats examined bacteriologically.....             | 1, 578  |
| Plague rats.....                                 | 0       |
| Ground squirrels trapped.....                    | 5       |
| Ground squirrels examined bacteriologically..... | 5       |
| Plague squirrels.....                            | 0       |
| Gophers trapped.....                             | 2       |
| Gophers examined bacteriologically.....          | 2       |
| Plague gophers.....                              | 0       |
| Buildings condemned.....                         | 10      |
| Poisons placed.....                              | 22, 336 |

OAKLAND, CAL.

Date of last case of human plague: Sickened, July 17, 1908.

Date of last case of rodent plague: Trapped, December 1, 1908.

*Week ended March 27, 1909.*

|                             |        |
|-----------------------------|--------|
| Dead inspected.....         | 39     |
| Plague.....                 | 0      |
| Premises inspected.....     | 1, 098 |
| Necropsies held.....        | 2      |
| Premises cleaned.....       | 220    |
| Garbage cans installed..... | 196    |
| Place made rat-proof.....   | 1      |
| Nuisances abated.....       | 177    |

|                                      |         |
|--------------------------------------|---------|
| Rats found dead.....                 | 22      |
| Rats trapped.....                    | 601     |
| Total rats taken.....                | 623     |
| Rats identified.....                 | 669     |
| Mus norvegicus.....                  | 611     |
| Mus rattus.....                      | 4       |
| Mus musculus.....                    | 46      |
| Mus alexandrinus.....                | 8       |
| Rats examined bacteriologically..... | 609     |
| Plague rats.....                     | 0       |
| Mice examined bacteriologically..... | 46      |
| Plague mice.....                     | 0       |
| Poisons placed.....                  | 22, 115 |

## POINT RICHMOND, CAL.

*Week ended March 27.*

|                                      |        |
|--------------------------------------|--------|
| Sick inspected.....                  | 2      |
| Plague.....                          | 0      |
| Dead inspected.....                  | 2      |
| Plague.....                          | 0      |
| Premises inspected.....              | 490    |
| Nuisances abated.....                | 31     |
| Rats found dead.....                 | 14     |
| Rats trapped.....                    | 26     |
| Rats examined bacteriologically..... | 26     |
| Plague rats.....                     | 0      |
| Poisons placed.....                  | 7, 000 |

## ALAMEDA COUNTY, CAL.

*Week ended March 27.*

|                      |    |
|----------------------|----|
| Sick inspected.....  | 6  |
| Plague.....          | 0  |
| Dead inspected.....  | 62 |
| Plague.....          | 0  |
| Necropsies held..... | 2  |

## CONTRA COSTA COUNTY, CAL.

*Week ended March 27.*

|   |    |
|---|----|
| Dead inspected.....                         | 4  |
| Plague.....                                 | 0  |
| Ranches inspected.....                      | 76 |
| Ranches found free of ground squirrels..... | 14 |
| Ranches poisoning ground squirrels.....     | 16 |

*Report from Los Angeles, Cal.—Examination of animals for plague infection.*

Passed Assistant Surgeon Stimson, plague laboratory, reports, March 31:

*Animals examined in laboratory in this city from March 22 to 28, inclusive.*

|                       |     |
|-----------------------|-----|
| Ground squirrels..... | 37  |
| Gray rats.....        | 493 |
| Black rats.....       | 24  |
| White rats.....       | 3   |
| Gopher.....           | 1   |
| Wild rat.....         | 1   |

None of these animals was found to be infected with plague.